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MCCLOY HAD ONE HOUR MTG WITH KUZNETSOV TODAY. AFTER EXCHANGE OF PLEASANTRIES, MCCLOY NOTED KUZNETSOV AND HIS ENTIRE PARTY LEAVING HAVANA 4:30 PM TODAY. AND ACCORDING OUR INFO THERE WERE DIFFICULTIES WITH CASTRO. WHILE WE UNDERSTOOD SOV RELUCTANCE ADMIT INSPECTION ON GROUND BEFORE WEAPONS REMOVED, WHICH MIGHT REVEAL SECRET TECHNOLOGY, US WOULD HAVE TO CONTINUE AERIAL SURVEILLANCE STARTING TOMORROW, AND UNTIL VERIFICATION BY UN ARRANGED. MOST DANGEROUS SITUATION WOULD ARISE IF OUR PLANES WERE TO BE SHOT AT OR DOWNED. WE PREPARED TO TURN AERIAL SURVEILLANCE OVER TO UN, BUT SO LONG AS NO ADEQUATE UN VERIFICATION EXISTED US WOULD CONTINUE ITS OWN FLIGHTS. OUR PHOTOGRAPHS OF DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY DID NOT INDICATE ANY MARKED PROGRESS IN DISMANTLING, INDEED INDICATED SOME FURTHER CONSTRUCTION, ALTHOUGH WE REALIZED NOT ALL SITES MAY HAVE RECEIVED APPROPRIATE ORDERS. WE HOPED PHOTOGRAPHS AFTER TOMORROW WOULD SHOW SUCH PROGRESS.

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MCCLOY RESPONDED HE COULD NOT TELL DEFINITELY US ATTITUDE ON THESE POINTS; HOWEVER, KUZNETSOV'S STATEMENT OF PROBLEMS WELCOME AND WE WOULD EXPRESS OUR VIEWS ON THEM AT APPROPRIATE TIME.

MCCLOY THEN STRESSED MAIN PROBLEM AT THIS TIME WAS REMOVAL OF OFFENSIVE WEAPONS FROM CUBA. WHEN THIS DONE ATMOSPHERE FOR DISCUSSION OTHER PROBLEMS.

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HIMSELF AVAILABLE FOR MEETING WITH MIKOYAN, BUT NOT QUITE SURE
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